

Regular Session, 2009

HOUSE BILL NO. 581

BY REPRESENTATIVE ELLINGTON AND SENATOR RISER

DISTRICTS/SEWERAGE: Allows the governing authority of Caldwell Parish to authorize the treasurer of Columbia Heights Sewerage District No. 1 to increase per diem for members of the district's board of supervisors

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 33:3887, relative to the Columbia Heights Sewerage District No.
3 1 in Caldwell Parish; to authorize the parish governing authority to authorize the
4 treasurer of the district to increase the per diem paid to members of the district board
5 of supervisors for attending meetings; and to provide for related matters.

6 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
7 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of
8 Louisiana.

9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

10 Section 1. R.S. 33:3887 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

11 §3887. Supervising board

12 A. In the ordinance or resolution creating the district, the police jury shall
13 appoint at least three but no more than five property taxpayers residing within the
14 district as the board of supervisors thereof. If a petition of twenty-five percent or
15 more of the residents of the district is presented to the police jury requesting the
16 appointment of supervisors, the police jury shall appoint the persons so named. If
17 more than one petition is presented, then the police jury shall appoint the members
18 receiving the majority in number and assessment according to the certificate of the
19 parish assessor. The supervisors shall elect a chairman and a vice chairman from
20 their own members, and shall appoint a secretary-treasurer, who may be either a part-

1 time or full-time employee and shall fix the salary for such position. The supervisors
2 shall meet each week during the construction of the sewerage facilities and monthly
3 thereafter. The board of supervisors shall by resolution designate a regular meeting
4 place for the holding of their meetings, which shall be held at some place located
5 within the sewerage district or at the parish seat of the parish in which the district is
6 located. The parish governing authority of the parish in which the district is located
7 may pay a per diem to each member of the board of supervisors in an amount not to
8 exceed sixty dollars for each day of his attendance at meetings of the board up to and
9 including twenty-four days in each year. Such governing authority may also pay
10 each member per diem for attendance of up to and including twelve emergency
11 meetings of the board of supervisors of such district called in any one calendar year.
12 Per diem provided by this Section shall be paid out of the district funds in the hands
13 of the treasurer.

14 B. Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection A of this Section, the
15 governing authority of the parish of Caldwell may authorize the treasurer of the
16 Columbia Heights Sewerage District No. 1 to pay the members of the board of
17 supervisors of the district a per diem of up to one hundred dollars for attendance at
18 meetings.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes increasing per diem for supervisors of Columbia Heights Sewerage District No. 1 in Caldwell Parish from \$60 to \$100 per meeting attended.

Present law provides generally relative to sewerage districts. Such provisions authorize the governing authority of the parish in which the sewerage district is located to pay a per diem for members of the district's board of supervisors of not more than \$60 per meeting attended. Limits paid meetings to 24 per year and up to 12 emergency meetings in a year.

Proposed law, notwithstanding present law, allows the Caldwell Parish governing authority to authorize the Columbia Heights Sewerage District No. 1 treasurer to increase such per diem from \$60 to \$100.

(Amends R.S. 33:3887)